

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In Application for:	Examiner:	Wu, Qing Yuan
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Application No.:	Confirmation No.:	3443
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For: LOW-CONTENTION LOCK		

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

Dear Sir/Madam:

This communication is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed March 25, 2008 (hereinafter "Office Action"). Applicants respectfully request reconsideration in view of the amendments and remarks to follow.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 15 of this paper.